GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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FOODGRAINS AND MEDICINES LYING IN GODOWNS OF SUPER BAZAR
MOHAN RAWALE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether large quantity of foodgrains and medicines are lying in the godowns of Super Bazar and are getting damaged;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith its value and the reasons therefor;

(c) the measures taken by the Union Government to dispose them of; and

(d) the accountability fixed and action taken by the Government against the persons responsible for this menace?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) & (b): The Super Bazar, Delhi has reported that at present some damaged dals,rice, atta and sugar amounting to about Rs. 2.96 lakhs are lying in the godowns. However, medicines have not been damaged/lying in the godowns. As regards foodgrains, the quantities involved are as under:-

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i) Dal Arhar 9227 kg.
ii) Black Masoor 2238 kg.
iii) Moong whole 700 kg.
iv) Urad wash 15 kg.
v) Moong Chilka 85 kg.
vi) Moong Washed 157 kg.
vii) Urad Washed 11 kg.
viii) Urad Chilka 20 kg.
ix) Rice Permal 25 kg.
x) Dal Chana 15 kg.
xi) Atta         500 kg.
xii) Sugar        582 kg.
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The foodgrain items remained unprocessed/unpacked/unsold because of the strike by a section of the employees between 29/8/2001 to 20/11/2001 which disrupted work/sales.

(c) & (d): Being a Multi-State Cooperative Society, the measures for disposal of damagedstocks can be taken by the Super Bazar as Government does not interfere in their working. Super Bazar has reported that they have constituted a committee of their officers to suggest the final disposal of these items.